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1. The Werzeugmaschinenfabrik (Wema) (formerly Billeter and [illegible] Kiunz), located at Hinter dem Zoll, has 1,200 hands. During the war, it manufactured gun barrels, lathes, bench lathes, and mounts for anti-aircraft guns. The Wema plant was not dismantled by the Russians. It is a modern, efficient heavy machine plant, which is kept busy all the time with armament orders.

2. The former Gerson light machine factory, at Friedrich and Heinrich streets, is now an apprentices' training shop for Wema. This plant is suitable only for light production because the floors are too weak to support heavy machines. Wema also owns the former Utzfeld plant in Hislebenerstrasse, which today employs fifty-sixty men as a Volkseigener Betrieb (VEB) turning and finishing works.

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